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REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The Examiner is thanked for considering claims 1-93 to be allowable.

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS

Claims 1-93 are pending. Claim 94 is cancelled, without prejudice. No new matter is added. It is submitted that these claims, as originally presented, were in full compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. Further, the amendments and remarks presented herein are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103, or §112. Rather, the amendments and remarks are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are entitled.

As this paper is submitted within the three-month term for reply set by the July 1, 2005 Office Action, no fee is believed due. If, however, a fee is necessary for consideration of this paper, authorization is given to charge the amount of any such fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2525.

II. 35 U.S.C. §112, FIRST PARAGRAPH, REJECTION

Claim 94 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly lacking enablement. Although Applicants disagree with the Examiner's reasoning and believe that claim 94 is enabled, the cancellation of claim 94, without prejudice, renders the rejection moot.

Consequently, reconsideration and withdrawal of the Section 112, first paragraph, rejection are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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